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Age and Weight	0 — 1 year AND 0 — 20 lbs.	1 — 4 years Or 20 — 40 lbs	4 — 8 years Or 40 — 80 lbs	8 years or older Or 80+ lbs.
Type of Seat	Rear-facing seat (Infant-only or convertible)	Forward-facing seat with harness (Convertible or Combination Seat)	Belt-positioning booster seat with lap/shoulder belt	Lap/shoulder belt
Seat Position				
Make Sure:	Children are rear-facing until at least one year old and 20 lbs. Harness straps are at or below shoulder level. The retainer clip is at armpit level. The seat is at a 45 degree angle.	Harness straps are at or above the shoulders. Harness straps are in the correct slots. The retainer clip is at armpit level.	Booster seats are used with <u>both</u> a lap and shoulder belt. The lap belt fits low and tight across lap/upper thigh area. The shoulder belt fits snug crossing the chest and shoulder.	The child can sit all the way back against the auto seat. The child's knees bend comfortably at the edge of the auto seat. The belt crosses the shoulder between the neck and arm. The lap belt is as low as possible. The child can stay seated like this the whole trip.
Important	Children 12 and under should always travel in the back seat.	Children 12 and under should always travel in the back seat.	Children 12 and under should always travel in the back seat.	Children 12 and under should always travel in the back seat.

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